ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION C

Proposition C amends the City Charter to permit "Managed Competition" between City departments and qualified outside providers to deliver more efficient city services. The Charter prohibits such competition for most services currently delivered by City employees.

A TOOL THE MAYOR NEEDS TO GET OUR CITY BACK ON TRACK

Managed Competition is a tool Mayor Sanders needs to get city government back on track, make it more accountable to taxpayers, and reduce operating costs. It also could help reduce pension costs.

Proposition C authorizes the Mayor to target City departments or services where efficiency and effectiveness could be improved through Managed Competition.

COMPETITION TO IMPROVE EFFICIENCY, EFFECTIVENESS

City employees will be given an opportunity to develop plans for improving the efficiency and effectiveness of a targeted service, while qualified outside providers will be invited to submit proposals for providing the service.

SAFEGUARDS TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC'S INTEREST

An Independent Review Board, whose members must adhere to strict conflict-of-interest standards, will review the proposals and make a recommendation to the Mayor. The City Council would have the authority only to accept or reject the recommendation in its entirety.

Proposition C also includes tough safeguards to protect the public interest and requires regular monitoring and public disclosure to ensure service quality is maintained or improved and projected savings are achieved.

An implementing ordinance will include minimum contract standards and other measures to protect the quality and reliability of public services. The Mayor is required to produce annual performance audits for contracted services, and an independent audit every five years to evaluate performance.

SUCCESSFUL IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS

Many jurisdictions, including Indianapolis, Phoenix and the County of San Diego, have successfully used Managed Competition to save millions of tax dollars and improve the quality of public services.

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